

Grand Duke Supplanted by Imperial Order
--Momentous, Far-Reaching Change, Unexplained So Far--
Czar Nicholas Has Assumed Full Command

DUMBA'S STORY IS RECEIVED BY SECY. LANSING

Next Step is the Submission of Entire Evidence to Pres. Wilson For His Decision.

By Special Wire to the Courier. Washington, Sept. 8.—Ambassador Dumba's explanation of a letter he wrote to the Vienna foreign office on plans for the withdrawal of Austro-Hungary labor from American factories producing munitions for the allies, was in the hands of Secretary of State Lansing to-day.

It was understood that the question to be determined by the president and his advisers, hinged upon whether Dr. Dumba's activities constituted a breach of diplomatic propriety. There has been no suggestion that any American law has been violated.

The ambassador is expected to confer shortly with Secretary of Labor Wilson. He is working on plans for an employment bureau to care for men who leave munitions factories, and wants the cooperation of the department of labor.

DEFENCE WORK TAKEN UP BY UNITED STATES

Plan to Increase Number of Auxiliary Ships is Thought Out.

Washington, Sept. 8.—The administration's plans for national defence and for enlarging the merchant marine, it was indicated to-day, will be coordinated in the forthcoming session of congress. A striking argument for increasing the number of merchantmen under the Stars and Stripes, Secretary of Treasury McAdoo said to-day, was that such ships were needed as naval auxiliaries.

Great Satisfaction!

Amsterdam, via London, Sept. 8.—The Hamburg Nachrichten, which voices "satisfaction" at the sinking of the Hesperian, but refrains from expressing an opinion as to the cause of the steamer's sinking, suggests that the German submarine U-27, which has been given up as lost, may have been attacked and sunk by the Steamer Arabic before she went down.

French Steamship Was Torpedoed, But Crew Were Rescued Safely

By Special Wire to the Courier. PARIS, Sept. 8.—The French Steamship Guatemala has been torpedoed and sunk about 50 miles off Belle Isle. Her crew escaped in two boats. The men were picked up by a British steamer and taken into St. Nazaire. The Guatemala was bound from St. Nazaire for Philadelphia.

The Guatemala, 5,913 tons gross and 387 feet long, was owned by the Compagnie Generale Trans-Atlantique, which also owned the Bordeaux, the sinking of which by a submarine was announced. The latest report of the Guatemala's movements was her arrival at St. Nazaire July 23, from Buenos Aires.

Steamship Sunk. London, Sept. 8.—The British Steamship, Douro, has been sunk by gunfire, presumably from a submarine, at 6.30 o'clock this morning. The Douro, 1,603 tons gross, was owned by the Ellerman Lines of London. There are no records of her recent movements.

Aerial Raiders Seen. Amsterdam, via London, Sept. 8.—Three airships coming from the east passed over Dordrecht in south Holland at 6.30 o'clock this morning. Another airship passed over a suburb of Amsterdam. It came from the southwest and disappeared in an easterly direction.

DARDANELLES TO FALL SHORTLY, SAYS PRESIDENT

President of the Roumanian Chamber Said to Have Warned Austrian. [From Our Own Correspondent] LONDON, Sept. 8.—Ten persons were killed and 46 others wounded in the German air raid on the east coast of England last night.

AMERICAN SEAMAN LOST. Queenstown, Sept. 8.—It has been established that an American named Hoff was lost on the Hesperian. Wolf signed as an able-bodied seaman of the Hesperian's crew. He came from Newark, N. J., and was of Dutch parentage.

ARTILLERY ACTIONS RAGING ALL ALONG THE ALLIED FRONT

Allies Pour Shell Fire on Huns From Sea, Air and on Land.

Paris, Sept. 8.—2.30 p.m.—The artillery fighting along the battle line through France continues, according to the statement given out this afternoon by the French war office. There has been cannonading from Belgium on the north, as far south as the Woivre district.

ASKED FOR INFORMATION. Washington, Sept. 8.—Secretary Lansing to-day called Ambassador Gerard at Berlin to forward any information available on the sinking of the Steamer Hesperian. A State Department despatch from London indicating that one American was lost is so inconclusive that officials do not accept it as final.

NO DOUBT OF THIS. Queenstown, Sept. 8.—There is absolutely no doubt that a gun was mounted on the Hesperian. It is understood the gun was visible to all who cared to look at it, no secret being made of its presence.

CORPORAL W. HAMILTON



Winner of coveted D.C.M. for bravery in fixing telephone communications under fire. A native of Scotland, his mother resides at 52 Peel St. Another brother is a chaplain on active service with Scottish Territorials. James Hamilton, residing in city, is a brother.

GRAND DUKE SUPPLANTED

Most Momentous Act of Any of the Belligerents.

LONDON, Sept. 8, 11.50 a.m.—An army order issued by Grand Duke Nicholas, who has been commander-in-chief of the Russian forces, conveys the inference that Emperor Nicholas, in assuming supreme command of his armed forces, has supplanted the Grand Duke.

The order is addressed to the valiant army and fleet. The announcement, as forwarded from Petrograd to Reuter's Telegram Company, says that the Emperor has placed himself at the head of the military and naval forces. The Grand Duke thanks them for their heroism in the past. He predicts that, with the Emperor leading them, they will perform fresh exploits.

WIFE SHOWED HER DEVOTION

Husband Enlisted While She Was in Japan.

New York, Sept. 8.—A London cable to The Tribune says: The story of how a young Canadian bride raced 15,000 miles, from Tokyo to London, across the Pacific, the American continent and to the Atlantic to see her soldier bridegroom for a few days and of the curious string of mishaps that delayed her arrival so that she saw him for an hour only is interesting and thrilling London to-day. The husband was employed by a large timber company in Canada. The honeymoon was hardly over when he was called away on a long job in England, where it was impossible to take his bride. After he had left she decided to accompany friends on a

Rather Amazing is This Yankee Story of British Sailors

New York, Sept. 8.—A story to The Tribune from Boston says: An amazing story of the destruction of a German submarine which is believed to have been the destroyer of the Arabic is contained in what purports to be a letter received by Lowell, Mass., relative of Dr. Charles B. Banks, now in London. "Dr. Banks" was a veterinary officer aboard the Steamer Nicosian. He says in his letter that that vessel was attacked by a submarine which was sunk while trying to torpedo the Nicosian by a British patrol boat. The British patrol boat, the reputed Dr. Banks says, flew the Stars and stripes until she was within point-

NATIONAL GUARDS PARADING FOR A MARTIAL SHOW

Ten Thousand Men of New York Militia Will Hold a Field Day Soon.

New York, Sept. 8.—National Guardsmen to-day expressed satisfaction over the order summoning some 10,000 militiamen from New York City to an encampment and military display in Van Courtlandt Park September 25. The encampment will be the greatest military display of the kind ever attempted in this city. Each command will bring every item of equipment it owns, and so far as possible actual campaign conditions will prevail.

Wilson as Pitcher. Washington, Sept. 8.—Thousands of residents of the capital went to American League park here to-day to see Pres. Wilson pitch out the first ball in two games between teams of amateurs. Proceeds of the games are for the entertainment fund of the G. A. R. Encampment to take place here this month.

IMPORTANT IDEA ENTERS HEADS AT WASHINGTON

It May be Possible to Avoid Incidents of Hesperian Type in Future.

Washington, Sept. 7.—There is a strong possibility that the United States may change its attitude toward what constitutes arming a merchant vessel, and in the light of the development of submarine warfare, may hold that the mounting of small defence guns only, heretofore considered as not arming a ship, may be considered arming which will remove the vessel from the non-combatant class.

MISSING BOY FOUND. Queenstown, Sept. 8.—Captain Main of the Hesperian left Queenstown for his home in Glasgow last night. News of the safety of a ten-year-old boy has been received here by wireless from an unnamed steamer. The boy is believed to be the missing son of Mrs. Gorog, who, with four daughters was saved from the Hesperian.

HAD SIX-INCH GUN. Washington, Sept. 7.—Several despatches bearing on the Hesperian were received at the State Department to-day. One of these contained a joint affidavit by Captain Main and two other officers of the Hesperian, in which they asserted their belief that certain fragments of steel which were found on the deck proved to them "indubitably" that the Hesperian was torpedoed. They declare the torpedo struck the ship about eight feet below the water line and that the explosion was followed by a strong odor of high explosive. They also assert that there was a six-inch gun on board, which had been painted a service gray and would not have been conspicuous even at short range, and probably would not have been observed.

BRITAIN QUITE READY AGAIN TO NEGOTIATE

On Subject of Contraband of German and Austrian Origin Yankee Owned.

Washington, Sept. 8.—Definite information was cabled by Ambassador Page from London yesterday that Great Britain is now prepared to accept informal representations by the foreign trade advisors of the state department as a means of releasing American owned goods of German and Austrian origin now held up at neutral ports by the British order-in-council.

Receipts of the ambassador's message was followed by a conference attended by Trade Adviser Fleming, Sir Richard Crawford, commercial attaché of the British embassy here and Counsel for the American Importers Association, after which it was announced that the details of the plan would be worked out in the next three or four days. Goods amounting to \$107,000,000 have been tied up at Rotterdam and it is expected that the new arrangement will release not only these shipments but all goods of German and Austrian manufacture for American importers.

Jews Pray for Them

New York, Sept. 8.—The war will give special significance to the celebration of the Jewish New Year which will begin at six o'clock this evening. Orthodox Jews have been requested to pray for their brethren in the war-stricken countries of Europe and special collections will be taken in the synagogues for the relief of European Jews. The sermons announced for tomorrow in the larger synagogues will deal chiefly with hopes and prospects of peace. During the period of the celebration plans will be discussed for the relief of Jews in the European war zone for whose aid \$1,000,000 has been raised by the American Jewish relief committee.

TIRPITZ WILL TAKE HOLIDAY; IS CHAGRINED

Gossip From Amsterdam Relative to Submarine Warfare.

Amsterdam via London, Sept. 8.—Reports that Admiral Von Tirpitz, German minister of marine intends to resign are inventions, although it is true that he plans to take a brief vacation, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Nieuwe Rotterdamse Courant, who claims to have obtained his information from excellent authority.

A despatch from Amsterdam September 3 said it was reported in Berlin that Admiral Von Tirpitz would resign and be succeeded by Admiral Von Pohl, now chief of the admiralty staff and commander of the Baltic fleet.

It has been persistently asserted that Von Tirpitz had come into serious conflict with Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg over the submarine campaign, which the admiral instituted in retaliation for the British blockade. Their differences of opinion came to a climax with the sinking of the Steamer Arabic with its resulting menace to the friendly relations between Germany and the United States. The chancellor and the minister of marine visited Emperor William at the front and the monarch was said to have sustained Dr. Von Bethmann Hollweg in his demands that the submarine policy be modified for political reasons. It was for this conference that it became known that Von Tirpitz proposed taking a vacation and the inference was drawn by the foreign press that this was a substitute adopted either to cover his retirement by order of the Emperor or to hide his own chagrin at being overruled in a policy which was popular with the German people.

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